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IN COUNCIL, Williamsburg, *Nov.* 27, 1777.

ALL officers recruiting men for the service of this state are directed to attend the Governour and Council at *Williamsburg* on *Tuesday* the 16th day of *December* next, when commissions will be given out, and the several regiments of infantry and artillery will be formed. The officers who have not received commissions, and do not attend on that day, will be discontinued.

By order of his Excellency in Council.

ARCHIBALD BLAIR, clerk.

LONDON, OCTOBER 2.

IN the late war, it was thought necessary to raise some troops in Virginia. At the same time, the present General Washington, by his indefatigable zeal for the service, raised a regiment called the Virginia Volunteers, which he commanded. Their activity and success were so remarkable, that the Reverend Mr. Davis, who preached a sermon, or rather delivered a panegyrick on the occasion, in Virginia, on his speaking of Mr. Washington, who was their Colonel, made use of the following sentence: "As for that young "man (WASHINGTON) his uncommon bravery, "conduct, and knowledge in the art of war, at his "age, is superiour to what I ever read of; and he "seems as if appointed by Providence to be, hereafter, "the *protector and deliverer of his country.*"

Extract of a letter from Mr. Izrael Powley, *dated at* Cadiz, *September* 8.

"Last Friday an American privateer of twenty six guns came into this bay, and lay to near three hours, when Don Carlos Hederitz, a Spanish Colonel, and some other officers, embarked on board the above vessel for Charlestown, and the privateer stood out to sea again, and, setting all her sails, was soon out of sight."

Two of the white Indians from the isthmus of Darien have lately been sent, among a number of natural curiosities, by the governour of Porto Bello to Old Spain. They arrived at Bilboa the middle of last month, and from thence were taken to Madrid, in order to be shewn to the King and Royal Family.

The Bedford, De Garis, from Cowes for Quebeck, was taken the 22d of August by a schooner privateer, called the Eagle, from Boston, of eight guns and twelve swivels.

Orders are issued from the War Office, at the desire of the Lords of the Admiralty, for a draught to be made of all the soldiers of the three regiments of foot guards under standard, which are five feet eight inches high, in order to their being turned over to serve as marines, and the regiments to be completed with men of the proper height, from the parties now recruiting throughout England.

Another fleet of transports and storeships is getting ready at Portsmouth for New York, which will sail next week, and is the ninth that has sailed this year.

Orders are sent to Portsmouth for the several ships of war that are returned from cruising to proceed again to sea with the utmost despatch (after taking in necessaries) to protect the trade.

Extract of a letter from Paris.

"When Dr. Franklin appears abroad it is more like a publick than a private gentleman, and the curiosity of the people to see him is so great, that he may be said to be followed by a genteel mob. A friend of mine paid something for a place at a two pair of stairs window to see him pass by in his coach, but the crowd was so great that he could but barely say he saw him."

Extract of a letter from Berlin.

"Though almost worn out with age, fatigue, and disease, Frederick cannot be idle. The Prussian cabinet (which by the way consists only of the King and two military favourites) are certainly hatching something. Whether their manoeuvres will be confined to Germany alone, Poland in particular, or whether it will affect any other part of Europe, time only can determine. The Prussian troops are kept in as perfect order, and good discipline, as if a war was on the point of instantly breaking out. This, however, does not appear to be the case at present, unless between Russia and the Porte, and the winter season will keep them quiet at least for some months. The Prussian court is much crowded with military people, several Americans, and a few English. Lord L----n, in his continental tour, has been both at Berlin and Potsdam, but his *lon vivant* is not generally relished."

Those, says a correspondent, who suppose Dr. Franklin came to Paris, in the 75th year of his age, to amuse himself with experiments in natural philosophy, must certainly be a great many years older than the Doctor. They must even be in their dotage; and those, adds he, who imagine that the French will deliver him up to Lord Stormont, may as well believe that Lord Stormont will be appointed wet nurse to Her Most Christian Majesty.

Some very magnificent presents, to the amount of 20,000 l. have been lately shipped for New York and Quebeck, to be distributed among the Indian chiefs who have joined his Majesty's forces.

If the adage hold good, that "open enemies are better than secret ones," it will be acknowledged, that, even as matters now stand, Great Britain had better be at war with France than in the situation she is at present with that court.

INTELLIGENCE EXTRAORDINARY.

WE are well assured that Dr. Franklin, whose knowledge in philosophical sciences is universally allowed, and who has carried the powers of electricity to a greater length than any of his contemporaries, intends shortly to produce an *electrical machine*, of such wonderful force, that, instead of giving a slight stroke to the elbows of fifty or an hundred thousand men, who are joined hand in hand, it will give a violent shock even to nature herself, so as to disunite kingdoms, join islands to continents, and render men of the same nation strangers and enemies to each other; and that, by a certain chymical preparation from oil, he will be able to smooth the waves of the sea in one part of the globe, and raise tempests and whirlwinds in another, so as to be universally acknowledged for the greatest physician, politician, mathematician, and philosopher, this day living.

October 7. Saturday evening fresh instructions were sent to the commissioners of the different dockyards to expedite the fitting out for sea the men of war which have lately been put in commission.

There is now living, in the parish of Itham, near Sevenoaks, in Kent, one Burges, by profession a carpenter, aged one hundred and five years, and in perfect health.

The Count De St. Germaine, the French minister of the war department, has received his dismission with a pension of two thousand pounds, and thirty thousand pounds to pay his debts. The Count De St. Germaine is a striking instance that there are men excellent in the army who do not shine in the cabinet.

Tuesday a musick meeting was held at Corsham church, at which about three hundred of the nobility and gentry of Bath and Bristol were present. On their return home at night, about a mile from Bath, few of them escaped being robbed by two highwaymen. They took from one gentleman twenty guineas, and a gold watch. They likewise robbed the Bath and Bristol diligence, and every post coach and carriage that passed them. It is supposed they made booty of upwards of four hundred pounds.

The Hawke, Gribble, a letter of marque, has taken the Juno, an American vessel laden with rice, indigo, &c. valued at five thousand pounds, and sent her safe into Sandwich.

As seventy four gun ships are to be used for the foreign station, for want of smaller vessels, their complements are to be reduced from six hundred and fifty to five hundred and fifty men.

Extract of a letter from Portsmouth, *October* 6.

"Yesterday arrived at Spithead the Boreas man of war, Capt. Thompson, and the Ostrich, Capt. Rainer, from Jamaica, with the convoy, consisting of seventy six sail, which were left all safe in the channel, except two, one of which was destroyed by lightning, and we have not yet learned what is become of the other. They sailed from Jamaica the twenty seventh of July last."

Extract of a letter from Paris.

"Though this court has a particular regard to its trade and commerce, yet be assured this is not the only thing that engrosses the attention of the King and his minister. The great bustle which has been made in the naval and military department has not been done for nothing; on the contrary, they have an object of no small importance in view; though this may not be the season for disclosing it.

The Spanish court have established a new colony in the isthmus of Darien (where the famous Scotch settlement was some years ago) which is likely to turn out to very good account.

Three hundred invalids have been admitted to Chelsea hospital since the American dispute, which, with those put on the pension list of that hospital, amount in the whole to twelve hundred.

To the PRINTER.

SIR,

AS the great object of our immense armaments is professedly to reduce the grand American army under Washington, it seems a little strange, to one not versed in the arts of war, that General Howe could not find or come at him when he reconnoitred with his whole army for that purpose, but is sailed to the north, in order to defeat the enemy in the south. We have heard that the fairest way about is sometimes the nearest way home, and from hence I suppose it is that the General is gone north about to the long expected victory, as he formerly took the route of Halifax a little precipitately, from Boston to New York; and no doubt, in reliance upon the same proverb, Mr. Burgoyne is now beating the fruitless bush at Fort Edward, in order to effect a junction with the Generalissimo, if he can be found, which might have been effected by sea, without danger, expense, or delay, four months ago. And if this junction could not have ferreted the arch rebel out of his lines, I do not see what business they had across the Atlantick, unless they could have first settled the point to choose Mr. Washington's ground for him.

I should humbly have conceived that the honour of this nation, and our formidable army, as well as the exigency of our affairs, called loudly upon us to attack the enemy at every possible disadvantage, especially under the appellation of cowards, raw and undisciplined cowards. To march away first, and then sail away from men who will not fight, and that bravely too, is an imputation upon the veteran army that will not easily be wiped off.

There is certainly some Yankie enchantment upon the face of the country, and the very ground fights against us. Wherever Washington goes, the *brute earth sympathises*, and forms a rebellious alliance with him, and he seems to be the tutelar god of all their cities and towns. Our Castor and Pollux can do nothing apart. The navy must fight by land, as the army has done by sea, or nothing can be effected. Neptune is jealous of Mars, and will at least share the honours of the war. From hence the tedious and expensive armament on Lake Champlain, by which two campaigns have been lost.

Seriously, I begin now to have my doubt about the tardiness of our commanders. Threshed in the winter! asleep all the spring! and run away in the summer! this is not the way to bring America to the foot of Lord North, or the footstool of Lord George. What pity it is but some hardy Scotchman had led Englishmen against Englishmen! No false compassion, or misguided humanity, would then have retarded the operations of slaughter and subjugation. The Rubicon judge, and the Minden hero, might have been satiated with blood. To say the truth, the brothers have been niggards in human life; there is no apologising for their weakness. Excepting in the single instance of *starving* the American prisoners first, and then exchanging them for sound men, they have hardly done a thing this twelvemonth to recommend them to their royal master! That, indeed, was a stroke in the very spirit of the cabinet, which might have done honour to a M--------d or a G--------n; and most probably they have the merit of it. Those great men think and act upon too enlarged a scale to feel for the lives of Yankies, or soldiers. They regard the former as mere food for *powder*, and the latter for *powder*. And what are the hardships and sufferings of common people, or even their lives, when weighed against the ambition of princes or the luxury and avarice of great men in office? If the Prince of Hesse can build a new palace by selling his subjects to cut throats where he has no quarrel, or Jemmy Twitcher can portion his bastards by the brutal outrages of press gangs upon his free countrymen, is it not plain that mankind are the property and prey of their fellow men, and consequently that it is as much humanity to devour and destroy men as it is to protect and defend?

Justice and mercy may be good notions for the vulgar; they are seldom to be found in the bosoms or the counsels of princes, much less in counsels of war.

TOBY.

To the Printer of the St. J. CHRONICLE.

SIR.

WHEN the number of exports in any kingdom increases, it is very natural to suppose that the revenues, merchants, and tradesmen, are greatly benefited thereby. Whether that has been the case in Great Britain since the commencement of the present contest with America (and every one will allow that there have been some new and extraordinary exports from hence) is left to the publick to determine.

For example, we have exported plenty of live men and cattle, as well as of provisions, particularly flour to the West Indies, which used to be supplied from America, and which has raised our markets and lessened our loaves. It is true, in return for these, we have imported bad and good news, maimed soldiers, sick and wounded officers, but nothing to assist trade and credit, or to make amends for all our loss and trouble.

If we muſt export our fellow creatures, let us ſend off ſome of the moſt uſeleſs or pernicious kinds of them, viz. unneceſſary placemen, ſinecure officers, and devouring penſioners, with our numerious ſpungers on the induſtry of the community. A mere penſioner is a ſlave in harneſs, a genteeler kind of beggar; he eats at the expenſe of others, and is maintained by the publick. To export ſuch would be adding to the national ſtock and ſafety, or to the welfare and population of thinly inhabited countries, where neceſſity might make them honeſt and induſtrious.

Whether any more foreign mercenaries will be exported next ſpring, for the good of trade, time will ſhow. For my part, I think it would not be amiſs to export a Biſhop or two, to epiſcopiſe ſuch of the colonies as may be conquered, or to promote content and the ſpirit of liberty among them. They might likewiſe explain to the people the nature of unconditional ſubmiſſion to the mother country, or teach them the loyal art of addreſſing the throne, and returning thanks for almoſt every meaſure, good or bad, of government.

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 13.

LAST Thurſday morning the ſhip Syren of 28 guns, one tranſport ſhip, and a ſchooner, ran aſhore at Point Judith. The two laſt were taken, with about forty priſoners, one man killed, and four wounded. It was expected the Syren would give up as ſoon as an eighteen pounder fired upon her, which would be ready the next morning.

By two gentlemen of undoubted varacity, who arrived in town laſt evening from New London, which place they left laſt Friday, we learn that the Syren frigate, above mentioned, was entirely bulged, and that our people had made priſoners of the crew, conſiſting of about 180 men, and had alſo ſecured her guns, &c. to the value of about 60,000 l. lawful money.

On Thurſday laſt arrived at Cambridge Lieutenant General JOHN BURGOYNE, with the Britiſh, and on Friday the Heſſian troops, *in the full power of health*, who lately ſurrendered themſelves priſoners of war at the Northward, to the brave and intrepid Major General Gates, whoſe name ought to be retained with gratitude in the breaſt of every American.

Monday laſt arrived at a ſafe port at the Eaſtward a prize brigantine, double decked, from London, bound to Halifax, taken by Capt. Stackpole, in the privateer brigantine M'Clary, belonging to Portſmouth. The invoice of her cargo amounts to twelve thouſand pounds ſterling, in the following articles, viz. Engliſh goods, thirteen cheſts of bohea tea, loaf ſugar, cheeſe, ſteel, porter, hardware, proviſions, &c. The Captain of the prize informs, that on hearing General Burgoyne had taken Ticonderoga, and his progreſs towards Albany, looking upon it that America was conquered, thirty five ſail came out with him, laden with the like articles, bound to different ports in America.

Tueſday laſt a veſſel artived here in a ſhort paſſage from St. Peter's, Newfoundland, the maſter of which informs, that a packet had arrived there from France in thirty days, with orders for the governour and inhabitants to evacuate that place in eight days, as a war with Great Britain was inevitable; in conſequence of which, ſeveral veſſels, with all kinds of goods, were preparing for theſe ports.

BALTIMORE, DECEMBER 2.

Extract of a letter from Mr. B——, *continental agent at* Martinique, *dated* October 13, 1777.

I SINCERELY congratulate Congreſs on the favourable and important news which the General has received a few days ago by a packet boat which ſailed from Rochelle the 14th of September, the ſubſtance of which is, that a courier had been deſpatched to Verſailles which inſtructions for the ambaſſadour at the court of London to claim all French veſſels that have been captured (without the limits) by the Engliſh, and which were regularly cleared out for any French port; which requiſition, if not complied with, is to be the ſignal for retiring from that court. The Gene- has received orders to put every thing in readineſs for war, and to lay an embargo on all ſhips for Europe, to prevent their falling into the hands of the enemy. The French miniſter announces 5000 additional troops for Martinico and Gaudaloupe. The tranſports are already engaged for them at Havre, Nantz, and Bourdeaux. At Breſt, Rochford, and Toulon, they work night and day, and the greateſt preparations are making for the immediate commencment of hoſtilities. Although the General hourly expects the declaration of war, I cannot imagine this will take place until the arrival of the troops deſtined for this place. The General's plan is to attack the Engliſh iſlands immediately, and I think his ſucceſs depends on his conducting his operations with rapidity. The reſtitution of the ſhip Seine, and her cargo, is ſtrongly inſiſted on by the court of Verſailles. This ſhip the General of Martinico deſpatched on account of his Majeſty, as a ſtoreſhip, to ſerve the garriſon of Miquelon and St. Damingo; but you are to obſerve ſhe was loaded with American property, and bound to America, but had French papers.

The miniſtry of England, foreſeeing the avent of this war with America, and the damage that attends their critical ſituation, would willingly reſtore and reſign the helm of government, to hands more capable of directing it. From this view, they have publiſhed a number of inflammatory pieces, calculated to rouſe and animate the nation, in which they attribute the diſaſters of the American war entirely to the aſſiſtance which the French have offered us. Authentick advices ſay, the King of Pruſſia has opened his ports to Americans.

Extract of a letter from a Member of Congreſs *at* York Town, *to a gentleman in this place, dated Nov.* 28, 1777.

"About an hour ago letters were received fron General Gates, which inform, that the enemy had abandoned Ticonderoga with the greateſt precipitation. They were ſo much alarmed that they did not wait to carry off their cannon, but ſpiked them up. We are now in poſſeſſion of that important poſt. What frightened theſe paltroons away I do not know, but ſuppoſe it to have been the approach of General Stark's volunteers."

WILLIAMSBURG, *Dec.* 12.

ON the 25th ult. the Phoenix and Emerald, Britiſh ſhips of war, with two tenders, appeared off Sandy Point, in Potowmack. Their avowed errand up that river is in ſearch of proviſions, for which they are greatly diſtreſſed, and would give any price.

We learn from the Northern papers, that a Mr. John Brown has lately made his appearance (without a flag, or even a paſs) at York in Pennſylvania, who ſays he was ſent by Mr. Willing of Philadelphia with a verbal meſſage from General Howe to Congreſs, purporting that the General wiſhed for an accommodation; that he had power to treat with Congreſs *as a Congreſs*, provided they would reſcind independency, and was deſirous they ſhould be informed of it. Upon Mr. Brown's meſſage being delivered to ſome individuals of that Honourable Aſſembly, he was ſent a priſoner to Lancaſter, and by order of the Council of Pennſylvania, committed to the common jail. When we conſider that Lord and General Howe have uniformly attempted to deceive us from the beginning, that their faith, frequently and ſolemnly plighted to individuals, has been as frequently violated, that the meſſages they ſent to Congreſs, even by our own Generals, then captives in their hands, were merely deluſive, and that the moſt palpable falſhoods have been induſtriouſly circulated by their emiſſaries, both in Europe and America, we cannot help at once admiring both the ſtupidity and impudence of the Britiſh leaders, who think we will now attend to a ridiculous tale of peace brought by an obſcure perſon, who ſays he ſaw another perſon, who ſaw General Howe.

Extract of a letter from the continental camp, dated November 24, 1777.

"The enemy have at length made themſelves full maſters of the Delaware, by the reduction of Fort Mifflin, and the evacuation of Fort Mercer. However, neither of theſe events has been attended with any loſs either of men or ſtores, both being happily removed before the forts fell into their hands.

A veſſel is arrived at Edenton, North Carolina, from France, with about ſeventy thouſand pounds worth of woollens, &c.

THOMAS ADAMS, Eſq; is choſen one of our delegates in General Congreſs, in the room of JOSEPH JONES, Eſq; who has declined, upon account of his health.

On the 13th ult. being thankſgiving day, the Rev. John Hyde Saunders, of Cumberland county, had a ſon baptiſed in church by the name of HORATIO GATES.

Deaths.] Col. HENRY KING, at Hampton, after a ſhort illneſs, much regretted.

IN THE HOUSE OF SENATORS,
SATURDAY, December 6, 1777.

On a motion made,

ORDERED, that Meſſ. DIXON and HUNTER be appointed PRINTERS to this HOUSE.

JOHN BECKLEY, C. S.

The addreſs of the inhabitants of HARRODSBURG *to* GEORGE ROGERS CLARK, *Eſq;*

WE have juſt received the diſagreeable news of your reſigning the command of this fort, the conſequence of which, we know, will be the immediate departure of the young men. The diſpoſition you have always ſhewn to advance the intereſt of this country moves us at this time to requeſt of you neither to reſign or leave us, as your departure will be attended with the loſs of the country, and conſequently our ruin. We are ſenſible of your merit; we know that you appointed the day, and influenced the party, that diſſolved the abſolute proprietary government that was partly eſtabliſhed among us; by which you appear to be a ſerviceable member of the commonwealth of Virginia, and a protector of this part of it. To you we owe our preſent and future welfare under the juriſdiction of Virginia, as you have laid the foundation of it. Your conduct and ſpirited behaviour, during the frequent incurſion of the Indians into this country, have attached us to you in a particular manner. From the firſt day you engaged in the publick buſineſs of this country we know your whole time was ſpent in dangerous enterpriſes for the publick good. We acknowledge, with gratitude, the benefits we received from the dangerous journey you undertook to Williamsburg in the beginning of the Cherokee war, and your more dangerous return through the Northern Indians upon the Ohio, ſince their commencement of hoſtilities, with the ammunition that has ſupported our families, and enabled us to defend ourſelves. Your generoſity in repreſenting and ſerving us, at your own expenſe, without asking any retaliation, is ſingular. We beg, once more, that you will exert the ſame publick ſpirit, which has hitherto been ſo conſpicuous in all your actions, by ſtaying with us yourſelf, and keeping as many of the young men as you poſſibly can. We are, dear Sir, yours with eſteem. Signed by the inhabitants.

HARRODSBURG, *Sept.* 6, 1777.

☞ *I am ſorry to inform my kind cuſtomers, that for want of* PAPER, *I ſhall be obliged to ſtop the publication of the Gazette after the 19th inſtant, unleſs I get a ſpeedy ſupply, which I look for daily both from France and the Southward.——I requeſt the favour of all perſons indebted to me to make ſpeedy payment, that I may have it in my power to purchaſe materials for my buſineſs, which are now extravagantly dear, and difficult to be met with.*

ALEX^R PURDIE.

To be SOLD *by publick auction, for ready money, on* Monday *the* 2*d of* February *next, at the ſubſcriber's ſhop in* Williamsburg,

VARIOUS ſorts of houſehold and kitchen furniture, a complete cheſt of cabinet makers tools, turning laths and work benches, ſome mahogany and walnut plank, deal mountings, locks, and ſeveral ſorts of materials for carrying on ſaid buſineſs. looking glaſſes of various ſizes, a ſmall quantity of quickſilver, with all other materials for ſilvering of glaſs. The ſale to begin at ten o'clock, and continue till all is ſold off. RICHARD HARROCKS.

N. B. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe by private bargain may know the terms by applying as above, and poſſeſſion may be had immediately. The purchaſer, if unacquainted with the method of ſilvering glaſs, may have proper inſtructions *gratis*.

All perſons who have any juſt claims againſt the ſubſcriber are deſired to bring in their accounts, and thoſe indebted are requeſted to pay off their reſpective balances.

To be SOLD *to the higheſt bidder, for ready money, on* Monday *the fifteenth inſtant* (December) *at the dwelling-houſe of the late* John Selden, *deceaſed, near* Blandford, Prince George *county,*

PART of the perſonal eſtate of ſaid deceaſed, conſiſting of a variety of houſehold furniture, two clocks, ſtocks of cattle, and horſes, one of which is a very handſome *Godolphin* colt, and a blooded mare with foal by *Godolphin*; alſo the ſtock of ſheep, *&c. &c.* 1*p* ELIZABETH SELDEN.

To be SOLD *at publick auction, on* Monday *the* 22*d inſtant* (December) *at the plantation of Mr.* Joſeph Lewis, *jun. on* Beaverdam, *in the county of* Goochland,

ALL the ſtock of horſes, cattle, hogs, and ſheep, as alſo the houſehold and kitchen furniture belonging to the eſtate of *Charles Sampſon*, deceaſed. Twelve months credit will be allowed the purchaſers for all ſums above twenty five ſhillings, giving bond with approved ſecurity to the executors.——It is alſo requeſted that thoſe who are indebted to the ſaid eſtate, or to the eſtate of Mrs. *Mary Sampſon*, deceaſed, would diſcharge their accounts; and thoſe who have any demands againſt either of the ſaid eſtates are deſired to make them known and apply for payment, that all accounts relative to the ſaid eſtates may be adjuſted, and a diviſion made agreeable to the teſtator's will. All ſums not paid within thirty days after they become due to bear intereſt from the date of their bonds. 2*p*

FOR ſale, in *Henry* county, one thouſand and fifty five acres of land lying on both ſides of *Turkey Cock* creek, alſo one thouſand acres on the branches of *Leatherwood*. Great part of each tract is very ſtrong, the beſt range is in thoſe parts, and it joins a large body of mountains, which will always ſupport the range. For terms apply to Capt. *Daniel Hankins* joining ſaid land, or the ſubſcribers in *Dinwiddie* county.

2‖ WILLIAMSON COLEMAN, JOHN BOOTH, } Adm.

WANTED to hire immediately, or at *Chriſtmas*, a negro or mulatto woman that underſtands ſomething of cooking, and can waſh and iron; alſo a girl and boy to wait in a houſe. Apply to the printer of this paper. 2*p*

FOR ſale, the noted horſe REGULUS, whoſe performances on the turf, and the high formed colts of his getting, in many parts of this ſtate, are ſo well known that it is needleſs here to ſay any thing more of him than that his ſire was *Fearnought*, and got out of the famous mare *Old Jenny Diſmal*. He ſtands at the *Falls* in *Cheſterfield*, and is now in high perfection.—Alſo the imported high blooded horſe RANTER, a beautiful bay, well marked, and allowed by judges to be of as fine a form as any horſe in this ſtate, is remarkably ſure, and his colts fine for either the ſaddle or draught, of high courage, and good bottom.——There is alſo for ſale, at the ſame place, a number of fine blooded colts and fillies, ſome of them out of imported mares, from one to four years old. Twelve months credit may be had for one half the purchaſe money. 2‖ WILLIAM BLACK.

N. B. The reaſon theſe ſtud horſes are offered for ſale is, that the ſubſcriber has a very fine full blooded horſe from *Apollo*, out of an imported mare, who will be ſoon fit for ſervice.

For SALE, on reaſonable terms,

TWELVE thouſand acres of valuable land, lying in one tract, in the upper end of the county of *Henry*. For farther particulars apply to Col. *William Tunſtall* in ſaid county. 2*p*

DESERTED from Capt. *John Winſton's* company of the XIVth regiment, *William Gunter*, five feet ſix or ſeven inches high, thick and well made, and about forty years of age. A reward of twenty dollars will be given on his delivery to the commanding officer at *Williamſburg*.

JOHN B. JOHNSON, Lieut.

HAVING been informed that keeping or ſtationing troops in the town of *Fredericksburg* is attended with very great expenſe, owing to the extravagant price for fuel, and other neceſſaries for their ſupport, I have thought proper to direct that all continental troops now at that place, who are in a condition to march, do forthwith proceed to *Lancaſter* in *Pennſylvania*, and that thoſe who are unable to march be removed to *Alexandria*, there to wait until their recovery. And I do farther direct, that all troops marching to the grand continental army do not make any ſtay at *Fredericksburg*, but that they proceed without loſs of time to *Lancaſter*. Given at head quarters, *Williamsburg*, *December* 9, 1777.

DAVID MASON, Col. XVth *Virg.* reg.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, on *Saturday* the 27th inſtant (*December*) on the premiſes,

A TRACT *of* LAND *in* Cumberland *county*, *containing four hundred acres, whereon are good orchards, with a parcel of extraordinary buildings in order for carrying on the buſineſs of ordinary keeping; but what farther enhances the value of this place, it lies within leſs than two miles of the courthouſe, where is to be erected the town of* Effingham, *and it ſtands on the publick trading road which leads from* New London *to* Manchester. *It is likewiſe much frequented from the Northward to the Southward, and is well known by thoſe reſiding in the adjacent counties, and even from* Philadelphia *to* Charleſtown, *by the name of* Burton's *ordinary, which renders any farther deſcription needleſs. Two years credit will be allowed, the purchaſer giving bond with approved ſecurity to* 2p JOHN BURTON.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, on twelve months credit, on *Monday* the 30th inſtant (*December*) agreeable to the laſt will and teſtament of *William Bond*, deceaſed,

THE *tract of land whereon he lived, containing one hundred and twenty five acres, lying within a mile of the lower church in* Eſſex *county, and within half a mile of a very good mill; the ſale to be on the premiſes, and poſſeſſion thereof immediately delivered. At the ſame time and place will be ſold the corn, fodder, plantation utenſils, &c. with a good yoke of oxen belonging thereto. There is a parcel of likely negroes to be hired for the enſuing year at the ſame time, among whom is a good houſe carpenter and joiner (having ſerved an apprenticeſhip to that buſineſs) and three very good ſpinners; the reſt have been brought up chiefly to plantation buſineſs. The negroes will be well clothed, and it is expected they will be returned ſo. Bond and ſecurity will be required, and if they are not punctually paid to carry intereſt from the date.*

1p *ALEXANDER SAUNDERS*, *Exec.*

WILLIAMSBURG, *Dec.* 10, 1777.

I WILL *give a reward of five dollars, beſides what the law allows, to any perſon who will apprehend* Johnny, *otherwiſe called* John Harris, *a mulatto man ſlave who formerly waited upon my uncle, the late* Peyton Randolph, *Eſq; and ſecure him, ſo that I may get him again. He took with him, when he went away, a green broadcloth coat, and a new crimſon waiſtcoat and breeches, a light coloured* Bath *coating great coat, a* London *brown* Bath *coating cloſe bodied coat, a pair of old crimſon cloth breeches, and ſome changes of clothes. He is about five feet ſeven or eight inches high, wears ſtraight hair, cut in his neck, is much addicted to drinking, has gray eyes, can read and write tolerably well, and may probably endeavour to paſs for a freeman. The above reward of five dollars will be given if he is taken in* Virginia, *but five pounds, beſides what the law allows, will be paid to any perſon who apprehends him out of* Virginia, *and conveys him to me.*

EDMUND RANDOLPH.

TO be ſold for ready money, on *Wedneſday* the 31ſt inſtant (*December*) if fair, otherwiſe next fair day, at the glebe in *Brunſwick* pariſh, *Stafford* county, where the late Rev. *Chriſtopher Todd* lived, all his houſehold and kitchen furniture, ſtocks of horſes, cattle, ſheep, and hogs, plantation utenſils, and a genteel ſingle chair and harneſs almoſt new, three very good mens ſaddles, two choice violins, &c. &c. &c. Amongſt the furniture are an elegant mohogany desk and book-caſe with glaſs doors, a well choſen library and two dozen valuable pictures in gilt frames, among which are the celebrated cartons of *Raphael Urbin*, and among the ſtocks are an exceeding fine young riding horſe, a likely young blooded mare, and about 3000 weight of fatted pork.-----All thoſe having any demands againſt the ſaid deceaſed are deſired to bring them in, properly proved, to

THOMAS LOWRY, }
BERNARD TODD, } Executors.

☞ Thoſe gentlemen who have borrowed books of the deceaſed are deſired to return them before the day of ſale, it appearing by his memorandums that ſeveral are lent out.

WESTWOOD, *Prince William* county, *Nov.* 22, 1777.

TAKEN from a boy of mine on the road from *Dumfries* to this houſe, a bright bay horſe about fourteen hands and a half high, branded I believe on the near ſhoulder C. He has been cured of a fiſtula, which left but a ſmall ſcar, as it was cut under the ſhoulder, but may be perceived by his being creſt-fallen. He had on a bridle and ſaddle. The horſe was ſtolen on the 26th day of *Auguſt* by a man in a ſoldier's dreſs, who called himſelf *Harriſon Taliaferro*. He has a wife and child in *Frederick* county, *Maryland*, but did not go to that place. I hear there is ſuch a horſe taken from a man now in *Staunton* jail. Whoever brings me the thief and horſe ſhall receive ten pounds, and for the horſe only five pounds, paid on delivery either to me or Mr. *Carr* at *Dumfries*. 2p JAMES SCOTT.

To be SOLD *by the ſubſcriber near* Four Mile *creek, in* Henrico *county, for ready cash*,

A COMPLETE ſet of carpenters and houſe-joiners tools, with twelve books of architecture, alſo a ſet of carvers and turners tools, with the bench, two ſcrews and points, and a moving ſteel reſt, ſome cattle and hogs, two likely bright bay geldings, and ſundry houſehold and kitchen furniture. The ſale to be on *Monday* the 22d inſtant (*December*.)

1p MAURICE EVINGTON.

Wanted upon leaſe for two lives,

A TRACT or parcel of land ſufficient to work ſix hands to advantage, with a comfortable dwelling-houſe, &c. thereon. The leſſee would be glad of ſuch a place in the lower parts of the country, and in a neighbourhood where a ſchool might be erected. Any perſon that can furniſh me with ſuch a place, by writing a line to the ſubſcriber in *Gloucester* county with his conditions, ſhall be waited on by their very humble ſervant 2p THOMAS C. AMORY.

DECEMBER 1, 1777.

WANTED, two Captains immediately to take charge of two veſſels to go to *France*. Any perſon who comes well recommended ſhall receive good wages by the ſubſcriber at *Richmond*.

2p DANIEL L. HYLTON.

WILL be ſold at the town of *Falmouth*, on the 30th inſtant (*December*) if fair, otherwiſe next fair day, for ready money, ſeveral SLAVES belonging to the eſtate of the late Doctor *Michael Waikaee*, to diſcharge debts ſtill due.

2p JAMES SCOTT, Executor.

For SALE *in* AMHERST,

THREE hundred and five acres of land on the branches of *Rucker's* run, remarkably level, and proper for grain of all kinds. There is on it a plantation in good order ſufficient to work three hands, with a dwelling-houſe and ſeveral outhouſes; and there is on it a great appearance of iron ore, deemed by good judges, to be equal to any yet diſcovered in this country, and a conſtant water courſe convenient for the uſe of a furnace. Any perſon inclinable to become a purchaſer may be ſhewn the land, and know the terms, by applying to the ſubſcriber on the premiſes.

2p JOHN DEPRIEST.

LOST by the ſubſcriber, about the 14th of *November* laſt, a ſmall red pocket book containing a blank almanack, and the following bills, *viz.* One twelve pounds, of the *James* river bank, one eight, one ſix and one five dollar bill, a four and one ſhilling bill with two parcels of needles. Whoever will deliver the above to *John Hill* or *John Birns*, near the above place, ſhall have ten dollars reward. (2) JOHN M'NAB.

NANEMOND, *Dec.* 6, 1777.

I INTEND to leave this ſtate for a few months.

p WILLIS STREATER.

DESERTED from the ſecond *Georgia* battalion of continental troops, *James Harriſield*, about thirty five years of age, from *Prince Edward* county. *Hawkins Briant*, about twenty one years of age, from *Bedford* county. *Thomas Moore*, about twenty five years of age, from *Brunſwick* county. *Charles Brooks*, about nineteen years of age, from *Loudoun* county. *John Cock*, about twenty five years of age, from *Halifax* county, but underſtand he is gone to an uncle's of his on *Meherrin* river. *Joſeph Ingram*, a *Scotchman*, from *Lunenburg* county. *Edward James*, about twenty years of age, who I underſtand is at one of his ſiſter's in *James City* county, near *Cartwright's* ordinary. I will give one hundred and forty dollars reward for the whole of them, or twenty dollars for each, if delivered to me in *Prince Edward* county, near the courthouſe.

2p JESSE H. WALTON, Capt.

☞ Any of the deſerters who will return to their duty in fifteen days will have a free pardon.

YORK, *December* 10, 1777.

RUN away laſt week a young negro man named *Billy*, or *Will*. He is of the middle ſtature, of a yellow complexion, with ſmall eyes and bad teeth. Whoever apprehends and brings him home ſhall receive five dollars reward. THOMAS NELSON.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber in *Pittſylvania* county, on *Sandy* creek of *Dan* river, about the 20th of *Auguſt* laſt, a negro wench named *Daphne*. She is a ſmall wench, cannot talk plain, and I expect is in ſome jail in this ſtate, if not ſtolen; but if ſhe is I will give a reward of twenty pounds for the negro and the thief. If not ſtolen, I will give forty ſhillings reward, beſides what the law allows, to any perſon that will make known to me where I may get her again.

2p CHARLES BURTON.

STOLEN from *Joſeph Crawley's* near *Williamsburg*, in the night of the 8th inſtant (*December*) an eagle coloured horſe about fourteen hands and a half high, with a blaze in his face, hanging mane and ſwitch tail, is a natural pacer, had old ſhoes on his fore feet, and branded on the near buttock, I believe with the letter A. Whoever brings the ſaid horſe to Mr. *Crawley's* ſhall have ten dollars reward.

WALTER CROCKETT.

TAKEN up in *Louiſa*, near *Carr's* bridge, a black mare, and a two year old colt. The mare is about ten or twelve years old, four feet three or four inches high, has ſome ſaddle ſpots, paces ſlow, had a bell on, is dockt, but has no brand perceivable. The colt is near the colour of the mare, about four feet ſix or ſeven inches high, has a ſtar in his forehead, but neither dockt nor branded. Appraiſed, the mare to fifteen pounds, the colt to twenty pounds. p THOMAS JONES.

TAKEN up in *Auguſta*, a bay mare about fourteen hands and a half high, a natural pacer, has a ſtar in her forehead, a kind of a mealy noſe, ſome ſaddle ſpots on both ſides of her neck, has lately had the fiſtula, and branded on the near buttock ſomething like A. Appraiſed to twenty pounds.

p WILLIAM BURK.

TAKEN up in *Auguſta*, on *Trimble's* branch, a pied ſteer about three years old, about four feet high, his fore leg is hurt, ſeemingly by a clog, marked with a crop in the near ear, and a ſlit in the off one. Appraiſed to four pounds.

p CHARLES ERWIN.

TAKEN up in *Henrico*, a large dark red ſteer about two years old, marked with a crop and hole in the right ear (the hole appears to be cut, or tore out) and a half crop and ſlit in the left. Appraiſed to ten pounds. p JOHN CARTER.

TAKEN up in *Prince Edward*, near *Puckett's* ordinary, two ſmall red and white pied ſteers about two years old, marked with a crop and underkeel in the right ear, and a ſmall ſlit in the under part of the left. p GEORGE THOMPSON.

TAKEN up in *Stafford*, near *Muddy* creek, a gray gelding about nineteen years old, with a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, trots and paces faſt, is a very lively horſe, but not branded.

p WILLIAM BALL.

TAKEN up in *Loudoun*, near *Nolana's* ferry, a black mare about ſix years old, upwards of fifteen hands high, has a few white hairs between her noſe and forehead, and branded on the near buttock G. Appraiſed to thirty five pounds.

p JOSEPH THOMAS.

TAKEN up in *Charlotte*, near the *Parſon's Barn*, a red ſteer about three years old, marked with a ſlope in the under ſide of the right ear, and at the top of the ear it appears ſomething more ſquare. Appraiſed to forty ſhillings.

p MACKERNESS GOODE.

TAKEN up in *Southampton*, on *Nottaway*, eight hogs. One a black ſow with two white feet and white belly, a white ſow with a graizzle rump, three grizzle ſows with white liſts, a black barrow with white face and belly, and his fore feet white, two grizzle barrows with white liſts, all marked with an half moon under the right ear, and a crop and hole in the left. They have long bob tails, appear to be about two years old, and are appraiſed to ten pounds.

p JESSE ARRINGTON.

TAKEN up on *Deep Hole* plantation, in *Prince William*, a large brindled ſteer, ſuppoſed to be about eight years old, marked with a crop in the left ear. Appraiſed to ten pounds.

p ROBERT EDWARDS.

TAKEN up in *Prince William*, a red ſteer about two years old, three feet three inches high, marked with a crop, hole, under and overkeel, in the right ear, and a crop, two ſlits, and an underkeel in the left. Appraiſed to three pounds.

p NEHEMIAH DOWELL.

TAKEN up in *Amelia*, a large dark bay mare near five feet high, ſix or ſeven years old, much ſcarred about the head, has black legs, hanging mane and ſwitch tail, and appears to be branded on the near buttock with a horſe ſhoe, though very dull. Appraiſed to forty pounds.

p EDWARD MUNFORD.

TAKEN up in *Amelia*, a ſorrel horſe with a blaze face, four feet eight or nine inches high, ſeven or eight years old, with hanging mane and ſwitch tail, his near hind foot white, and has ſome ſaddle ſpots. Appraiſed to twenty pounds.

p DANIEL JONES.

TAKEN up in *Caroline*, on *Pamunkey*, about ſix miles above *Cheſterfield*, a dark brown heifer about four years old, marked with a crop and ſlit in each ear. Appraiſed to forty five ſhillings.

p JOHN MINOR.

TAKEN up in *Hanover*, on the *Northanna* river, *St. Martin's* pariſh, two white rams, marked with two crops and a ſlit in the right ear, and an underkeel in the left. Appraiſed to twenty ſhillings.

p JOHN MINOR.

TAKEN up in *Spotſylvania*, a very old gray horſe, about four feet eight inches high, and branded on the near buttock W. Appraiſed to three pounds.

p CAIN ACREE.

HANOVER, *Dec.* 1, 1777.

TO discharge my ſiſters fortunes, I will ſell at private ſale, for ready money, fifteen or twenty valuable SLAVES, in families. Among them is a good blackſmith, an excellent laundry ſervant, ſeveral good ſpinners, boys and girls of different ages. Thoſe who incline to purchaſe are deſired to apply in perſon. p NELSON BERKELEY.

Twenty DOLLARS *Reward.*

RUN away the 20th of *October* laſt, from the ſubſcriber in *Pittſylvania* county, a mulatto man ſlave named *James*, about twenty years of age, five feet eight or nine inches high, well made, has loſt one of his fore teeth, has a ſcar near one of his eyes, and a lump on one of his legs, occaſioned by the cut of an axe; had on when he went away a felt hat almoſt new, a hunting ſhirt, leather breeches, and linen trouſers over them, beſides other old clothing. It is preſumed he may make down toward *James* river, in order to get on board ſome of the *Britiſh* ſhips. Whoever will ſecure him in any jail, ſo that I recover him again, ſhall have the above reward, and all reaſonable expenſes if brought home.

p JOHN DONELSON.

N. B. I do hereby forewarn all maſters of veſſels from entertaining the ſaid runnaway on board their veſſels.

WHEREAS *James Skelton* of *Charlotte*, who enliſted with *William Dickſon*, an officer in the continental ſervice, upon condition that he himſelf continued in the ſervice, but as he threw up his commiſſion, the ſaid *Skelton* paid back the bounty money, and gives this publick notice that he is clear of the ſaid *Dickſon*. 2p

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ONE hundred and ſixty five pounds ſix ſhillings and nine pence halfpeny is juſt put into my hands, as prize money due to Capt. *James Barron* and others, of the *Hampton* company, for the ſloop *Swallow*, and boats *Patſey* and *Rappahannock Packet*. A farther ſum is ſtill due to the ſaid company from the publick on account of other veſſels captured, which when received ſhall be ſettled with the captors, who are deſired to make application for their reſpective ſhares to

JACOB WRAY, Agent.

YORK county, *Nov.* 19, 1777.

ALL perſons indebted to the eſtate of *Samuel Preſſon*, late of *York* county, are hereby requeſted to make immediate payment, that I may be enabled to diſcharge the debts due from the ſame; and thoſe who have demands againſt the ſaid eſtate are deſired to make them known by the firſt of *January* next, as I purpoſe cloſing the eſtate's accounts by that time.

|| NICHOLAS PRESSON, Executor.

WANTED,

TWO faſt ſailing BOATS, to carry from fifty to ſixty hhds. of tobacco each. A good price will be given by (6) PHRIPP & BOWDOIN.

FREDERICKSBURG, *November* 15, 1777.

THE ſubſcribers, being deſirous to promote the manufactory of linen, duck, cotton and woollen cloths, in their ſeveral and various branches, have engaged in a factory, at this place, to commence from *Chriſtmas* next; and as it will be rather difficult to aſcertain the number of hands we propoſe employing at the preſent, we would willingly take white or black boys and girls, from twelve years old and upwards, to ſerve five years, at the expiration of which, their parents, or the owners of ſuch negroes, will receive them with a trade of advantage to themſelves, and of publick utility. Thoſe gentlemen (friends to their country) who are willing to forward ſuch a work, by aſſiſting us with a few of their ſupernumerary little negroes, and rid themſelves of that charge, will lay infinite obligations on their humble ſervants.

B. JOHNSTON.
THOMAS WARING.

N. B. White boys and girls are taught to read and write, and boarded and clothed in a decent manner. Negroes are boarded and clothed clear of expenſe.

☞ Slay and harneſs making are taught the apprentices, with the other arts, by T. WARING.

☞ Thoſe who are acquainted with the above mentioned Mr. *Waring* may rely that I have had the greateſt character of his abilities in the weaving buſineſs, both from his late employer and thoſe who have formerly given him their cuſtom, and can aſſure the publick, from the character I have had of him, he is maſter of the buſineſs. 2|| B. JOHNSTON.

PRESSED off the plantation of *George Cellers*, ſix miles from *Woodſtock*, in *Dunmore* county, two ſteers, one black, with a white face, the other red; the two appraiſed to fifteen pounds. They are ſuppoſed to have left ſome drove going to the Northward. The owner, by applying to the ſubſcriber in the above mentioned town, will get the appraiſment.

|| ADAM HOLKER.

STRAYED from the ſubſcriber's plantation in the upper end of *Cheſterfield*, on the firſt day of *November*, a handſome blood bay horſe about four feet nine inches high, five years old laſt ſpring, has a ſmall ſtar in his forehead, one of his hind feet white, but is neither dockt nor branded. Whoever delivers the ſaid horſe to me, in *Charles City*, ſhall receive ten dollars for their trouble.

FRANCIS EPPES.

WILLIAMSBURG *Nov.* 28, 1777.

FOR ſale, at the ſubſcribers ſtore in this city, a choice aſſortment of MEDICINES juſt imported, conſiſting of the following articles, *viz.* Jeſuits bark, jallap, manna, *Glauber* ſalts, and ſenna, alſo a quantity of COPPERAS, which will be ſold in ſmall quantities, or by wholeſale.

NORTON & BEALL.

THE ſchooner *Betſey*, *Richard Davis* maſter, will ſail for *France* in ſix weeks, and will take in tobacco on freight. For terms apply to *Thomas Newton*, jun. in *Southampton*, or *Wills Cowper* in *Suffolk*.

To be SOLD, *at the late dwelling-houſe of* John Woddrop, *deceaſed, on* Thurſday *the 8th of* January *next, if fair, otherwiſe next fair day*,

FIFTEEN likely SLAVES, men, women, boys, and girls, for ready money.

5|| ANNE WODDROP, Executrix.

FALMOUTH, *Nov.* 14, 1777.

ALL perſons who have any claims againſt Capt. *Walter Vowles*, deceaſed, are deſired to ſend in their accounts, properly proved, that they may be adjuſted, and paid.

4p THOMAS VOWLES, Adm.

COLCHESTER, *Nov.* 3, 1777.

TO be ſold by the ſubſcriber, for ready money, the warehouſe lots in this town, alſo two hundred and forty acres of good land juſt above them, on the river, joining the ferry tract; alſo about two hundred acres on the head of a creek, with an overſhot griſt mill; and three hundred acres of good land under the *Blue Ridge*, near *Aſhby's Gap*. A blackſmith who has about three years to ſerve, with a complete ſet of ſmith's tools, a ſtill of about one hundred gallons, and three good ſlaves, will be received in part of payment. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe may ſee the lots and land by applying to the ſubſcriber, living in this place.

2p WILLIAM BAYLEY.

Purſuant to the laſt will and teſtament of Lewis Tyler, *attorney at law, deceaſed, will be ſold on the premiſes, to the higheſt bidder, for ready money, on the* 10th *day of* January *next, if fair, or the next fair day*,

THAT noted and valuable tract of land on *Turnip* creek, in *Charlotte* county, whereon the ſaid *Tyler* lived, containing upwards of nine hundred acres of fine high and low land, with a plantation, dwelling-houſe, and ſeveral outhouſes thereon. This land is however ſubject to the dower of the ſaid *Tyler*'s widow, which will be laid off before the day of ſale. A good title will be made, and poſſeſſion immediately delivered. At the ſame time and place will be ſold all the perſonal eſtate of the ſaid *Tyler* yet unſold, conſiſting of a valuable library of law books, and ſome other eſtate. All perſons indebted to the eſtate are deſired to make payment, and thoſe who have claims are deſired to make them known, that they may be adjuſted.

4p GEORGE CALDWELL, Adm. with the will annexed.

I DO hereby inform the publick, that I have taken the greateſt care to acquaint myſelf with the DISTILLING BUSINESS, and can undertake to make two gallons and a half of good ſpirit from every buſhel of good wheat. Any perſon inclining to be perfected in the buſineſs may apply to me in *Prince Edward* county.

p EZEKIEL HENDRICK.

COMMITTED to the publick jail, a runaway negro man, *Virginia* born, who ſays his name is LEWIS GOFF, and pretends to be free. He acknowledges he was bound a ſervant to *Jane Netherland* of *Halifax*, who died laſt *July*. As ſhe was a tenant to *Peirce Wade*, it is probable he may know the fellow. He is five feet ſix or ſeven inches high, has a ſmiling countenance when he ſpeaks, is raw boned, but appears ſtrong and well made. Whoever has a right to claim him is deſired to make it appear, and take him away.

(tf) PETER PELHAM.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Nov.* 24, 1777.

STRAYED or STOLEN out of Mr. *Robert Jackſon*'s lot in this city, on *Friday* the 21ſt inſtant, at night, a ſmall gray horſe about thirteen hands and a half high, nine or ten years old next ſpring, has a hanging mane and ſhort ſwitch tail, part of his mane is cut ſhort, has ſome hair rubbed off his right ſide by a ſaddle, paces ſlow, trots when out of the bridle, and gallops well. Whoever delivers him to Mr. *Robert Jackſon*, or Mr. *Thomas Stubbs* at *Capahoſick* ferry, ſhall have a reward of twenty ſhillings.

p SAMUEL PRYOR.

STOLEN from the ſubſcriber in *James City* county, ſome time in *September* laſt, a ſlender made bay horſe with a thin mane and long buſhy tail, about thirteen hands high, branded on the near buttock B, with ſome other letter on the left of it, but not plain; he is a young horſe, has good ſpirit, and paces very eaſy. Whoever delivers him to me, or gives intelligence ſo that I get him again, ſhall have four dollars, and on conviction of the thief thirty dollars.

WILLIAM GEDDY.

To be SOLD, *in the firſt* Thurſday *in* January *next, at* Hanover *courthouſe, being court day*,

A SMALL tract of land, containing one hundred and eight acres by an old ſurvey, lying in *King William* county, formerly the property of Capt. *Francis Smith*, deceaſed, about three miles from *Hanover* town, and not more than half a mile from *Pamunkey* river. It abounds with fine timber, both pine and white oak, its ſoil not inferiour to any corn and wheat land in that part of the country, and it is well watered. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe I expect will view the land, and I will treat for it privately upon application before the day of ſale. Bond with approved ſecurity will be required for the purchaſe money, to carry intereſt from the day of ſale if not paid the ſecond day of *April* next. p FRANCIS SMITH.

CHESTERFIELD county, *October* 30, 1777.

TO BE SOLD,

THE term of ſeven years yet to come, and unexpired, of and in a very valuable eſtate rented to me by the Hon. *Philip Ludwell Lee*, conſiſting of about one hundred and thirty SLAVES, young and old, and about eleven thouſand acres of very fine LAND, ſituated in the counties of *Loudoun* and *Fairfax*, with two large ISLANDS in *Potowmack* river, called the *Sugar Lands*. On this eſtate are ſeveral plantations in fine order for cropping or farming; and for the convenience of purchaſers, the whole will be laid off in ten or twelve diviſions. The ſale in *Fairfax* will be on *Thurſday* the eighteenth, and in *Loudoun* on *Monday* the twenty ſecond, of *December* next. At the ſame times and places reſpectively will be ſold the crops of corn, tobacco, and wheat, the ſtocks of cattle, horſes, hogs, and ſheep, and the tools and utenſils of trade and huſbandry. My leaſe will be produced the time of the ſale, for the ſatisfaction of purchaſers, and any of my creditors will have their juſt demands diſcounted.

JOHN BALLENDINE.

VIRGINIA, *November* 19, 1777.

WANTED at the PUBLICK FOUNDERY at *Weſtham*, near *Richmond* town, three or four good workmen who have been employed in moulding in loam and ſand, and are acquainted with caſting cannon, ball, &c. Such men will meet with proper encouragement by applying to Mr. *John Reveley*, manager at the ſaid works, or to the ſubſcribers in *Richmond*.

RICHARD ADAMS.
NATHANIEL WILKINSON.
TURNER SOUTHALL.

To be RENTED, *and may be entered on in a few weeks*,

THE brick building next the *Raleigh* with four very neat rooms and cloſets, a good kitchen, ſmoke-houſe, coal houſe, &c. a garden, and a very large ſtable with a granary in it, alſo a cow houſe. For terms apply to *John Carter*, who now lives there.----It is deſired that all thoſe who are indebted to the ſubſcriber will immediately give bond and ſecurity, otherwiſe their accounts will be given to an attorney, without farther notice from JOHN CARTER.

TEN dollars reward for apprehending and delivering PATTY, a lightiſh coloured negro woman, pitted with the ſmallpox, about thirty years of age, walks well, and generally faſt, is rather above the middle ſize, well ſhaped, and dreſſes neatly.----The ſame reward for finding, and ſending to *James Turner* at *Newcaſtle*, or *John Redd* at *Rocky Mills*, a bay horſe that ſtrayed from the laſt mentioned place; he is about fourteen hands and a half high, with hanging mane and ſhort ſwitch tail, ſhod all round, and branded on the near ſhoulder, as well as I can recollect, with the form of a heart. JOHN SYME.

COMMITTED to the jail of *Northumberland* county, the 9th inſtant (*November*) a negro man named *Aaron*, formerly the property of Capt. *William Graham* of ſaid county, at preſent the property of Mr. *Joſeph Pearſon* of *Charlotte* county. He is about five feet ſeven or eight inches high, well made, has on a negro cotton coat, breeches, &c. The owner is deſired to apply immediately, and pay charges.

|| JESSE ALEXANDER.

Sixty DOLLARS *Reward.*

DESERTED from the *Mecklenburg* company of ſtate troops, *Edward Clark*, *Stephen Hudſon*, and *Edward Clark*. Whoever delivers the ſaid deſerters to the commanding officer at *Williamsburg* ſhall receive the above reward, or twenty dollars for either of them. It is hoped that all wellwiſhers to themſelves and their country will be active in apprehending the above deſerters, and alſo thoſe of the ſame company who were advertiſed in a former paper by Enſign *Holmes*. The ſoldiers belonging to the ſame company, who were indulged with furloughs, are earneſtly requeſted to repair to this place immediately, or they will be conſidered as deſerters, and treated as ſuch, except thoſe who have furloughs for a longer time than they have been abſent, or are rendered unable by a low ſtate of health.

p WILLIAM BASKERVILLE, Lieut.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the ſubſcriber in *Williamsburg*, a large cheſtnut ſorrel horſe about eight years old, fifteen hands high, has a blaze in his face, his two hind feet white, and branded on the near buttock 7. Whoever delivers the ſaid horſe to me, at *Williamsburg*, ſhall have a reward of fifteen dollars.

CHAMPION TRAVIS.